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OFFICERS LINKED TO SPY IN SWEDEN

Generals Are Among 30 Who
May Have Given Data

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 4—The police are investigating the way in which 30 high Swedish military officers, including several generals, handle secret papers. The investigations are a result of an admission by Stig Wennerstrom, a colonel in the Swedish Air Force, that he was a spy for the Soviet Union for 15 years. Wennerstrom was arrested June 20 and admitted receiving large sums of money from the Russians.

It is believed that some officers unintentionally aided Wennerstrom in his spy work.

Col. B. Westin, head of a special military commission investigating the effects of Wennerstrom's spying, said: "I would not be surprised if the 30 men are indicted. Wennerstrom could obviously obtain secret materials through channels that should have been closed. Somebody handed over classified papers to him on vague grounds, often only at his personal oral request."

A spokesman for the army

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said: "No officers have yet been indicted."

Investigations of Wennerstrom's espionage have been slowed by his refusal to tell the police how much of Sweden's defense plans he sold to the Russians.

Wennerstrom attempted suicide in his cell—Oct. 24 by taking an overdose of sleeping pills. Doctors said he is now physically and mentally fit for questioning by the police.

Wennerstrom was Sweden's assistant air attaché in Moscow in 1940 and 1941 and air attaché there in 1949. He served as air attaché in the United States from 1952 to 1957. At the time of his arrest he was an official in the Defense Ministry.

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